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SECRETARY JOE IWATAKI



March 5, 1986

The first meeting of the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee was called to order by Chairman Noboru Okada at 7:40pm. 16 members were present.

Members of the Committee include the following:

Advisors	Rev. J. Taniguchi, Kiroschi Nishimoto
General Chairman	Noboru Okada
Finance	Kaz Sato, Perry Kuramoto
Publicity	English - Emily Aoyama Japanese - Rev. Taniguchi
Program Booklet	His Katakoka, Keyoshi Naito
Religious Service	Ron Nakano, Joyce Manawa
Group Pictures	Don Kege
Transportation	James Komatsu
Banquet	Ichiro Nishida, Tom Yamagami
Entertainment	Suzume Tomene
Invitations	Nakas Nakano, Joe Yoshikawa Yasu Yamashita Keyoshi Naito
Gifts	
Registration/Reception	Haru Yamashita, Marya Tsudima
Secretary	Joe Hattaki

The 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the founding of the Buddhist Temple of Alameda will be held on Sunday, July 27, 1986. The program for the day will be:

Anniversary Service	1:30pm - 3 p.m.
Group picture taking and Transportation to restaurant	3pm - 4 p.m.
Happy Hour	4pm - 5pm
Banquet & Entertainment	5pm - 7pm



The service will be held in the Temple chapel and the Happy Hour and Banquet will be held at the Blue Dolphin restaurant, on the Maruia San Leandro.

### Tentative Budget

#### GIFTS

Rev. Taneguchi	\$500.
Former resident Ministers	\$250 (\$50 x 5)
Bishop and Bay District Ministers	\$720. (\$60 x 12)
General membership	\$1250 (\$51 x 250)
BANQUET	\$5550 (\$18.50 x 300)
PROGRAM BOOKLET	\$200.
ENTERTAINMENT	\$150.
OTHERS (MISCELLANEOUS)	\$380
	<hr/> \$9000.

GIFTS. Rev. Taneguchi will be given a gift worth \$500. He will be asked to suggest an item he might desire; e.g. KOROMO (minister's robe). Each former minister (or their widow) will receive a gift worth \$50. each (Imari plates have been suggested). They include Rev. Kiko Abiko, Rev. Eiye Iwaso, Rev. Ryo Inamura, Mrs. Teruko Naito, widow of Rev. Shozen Naito, and Mrs. <sup>Yukiko</sup> Motoyoshi, widow of Rev. Joshin Motoyoshi. Bishop Yamaoka and each Bay District minister will be given an "OREI" of \$60. Each Temple member family will be given a lacquered tray with a hanging wisteria design. The trays are being ordered



from Japan and will cost about \$5.<sup>00</sup> each. All other persons<sup>(families)</sup> attending the banquet will also receive a tray.

BANQUET. Will be held at the Blue Dolphin restaurant. The entree will be Prime Rib. The cost of the dinner is \$14.95 plus 6½% tax and 15% tip. Total price will be about \$18.50. All Temple members will receive a discount price of \$10.<sup>00</sup> per person. This reduced amount is to encourage the complete family - parents and children - to attend. All others (outside of the invited guests) will be asked to pay \$18.50 per person. It is hoped that the Dharma school students will have their banquet tickets paid for by the Dharma School.

ENTERTAINMENT. Susumu Domine suggested that the more talented members (5 or 6) of the Kara Oke club from our Temple be asked to perform. Another suggestion was to ask Carol Takao to play the Koto. Harb will ask her father, Roy Takao, if this is possible. It was emphasized that the entertainment period be kept short, about 45 minutes, because the rest of the time will be taken up by speeches, presentation of gifts, etc.

INVITATIONS. Invitations will be sent to the Bishop, all BD ministers, representative from each BD church, mayor of Alameda, Alameda Times-Star publisher Abe Koffman, Buena Vista United Methodist church, Alameda JACL, Seemotomo, California 1st and Sanwa Banks. Also <sup>letters</sup> notices will be sent to all former Temple members who now live out of



town. If enough outsiders respond, Max Nakano hopes to make this event a semi reunion of former Temple members. In that case, Nakano suggests a social gathering on Saturday aite. Also Nakano suggests that members, whose adult children (married or otherwise) ~~who~~ are no longer Temple members, <sup>be</sup> encouraged ~~them~~ to attend this gathering.

PUBLICITY. Articles will be sent to the Alameda Times-Star, Hokuhei Maenichi, Wheel of Ashara. Copies of clippings for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary were shown as samples.

Donation of approximately \$9000. from the general memberships and guests is hopefully expected. This is based on what happened 10 years ago at the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. A donation of \$100.00 from each Board member will be suggested but this amount is not mandatory and each person may give whatever amount he wants. In order to encourage large donations and also give Temple members an idea as to how much individual donation others are giving, it has been recommended that the Board members take the initiative and donate well in advance so that it can be publicized in the UDAYA.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday April 30. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.



Attending tonight's meeting were Noboru Okada, Kiyoshi Naito,  
Gansu Yamashita, Perry Kuramoto, Ichiro Nishida,  
Tom Yamagami, Mariya Peecheja, Emily Aoyama,  
Hara Yamashita, Ipe Yoshinawa, Jon Kuge,  
Susumu Tomere, Masao Nakano, James Komatsu  
and Joe Iwataki.



April 30, 1986

The meeting was called to order by Chun Nobu Okada at 7:40 p.m. 12 members present.

Kiyoshi Naito was unable to attend however he left a message stating that he was able to <sup>contact</sup> 1 Zak Kuno, a S.F. photographer who had taken the group picture at the San Mateo <sup>church</sup> anniversary in 1985. Kuno is asking for \$500.<sup>00</sup> and he has paved the date. It was suggested that each picture be sold for \$5.<sup>00</sup> each to cover expenses. It was OK'd by everyone present that we hire Kuno for the job. Naito also left a rough sample of the anniversary booklet.

A progress report was received from the following committee heads:

BANQUET - Ichiro Nishida. Everything is OK. a suggestion was made that every Temple member wear a boutonniere.

PUBLICITY - Emily Aoyama. Articles publicizing the event should be sent to the Pacific Citizen to alert any former Alamedan who might like to attend.

RELIGIOUS - Ron Nakano. Everything under control.

INVITATIONS - Mrs Nakano. List consisting of 38 names (as shown on a separate sheet) will be mailed out the latter part of May.



GIFTS - Nobu Okada. Trays have been ordered from Japan. Rev. Taniguchi has not, as yet, expressed any preference to the type of gift he would like. The committee will soon make a shopping trip to Otisville to select other gifts.

FINANCE. Perry Kuramoto has opened a special account with the California First Bank. In order to start the ball rolling, a list of 6 Board members' names and the amount donated (\$100.00 each) was printed in the May UPAYA to give the congregation an idea as to how much each family might like to donate.

The proposed Saturday site mixer for out-of-town members will depend on the number of responses.

Mr. Bunji Marubayashi, one of our oldest <sup>living</sup> pioneer members, who has served our temple the longest time will be honored at the banquet.

The subject of the anniversary will be further discussed at the next temple Board meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Attending tonight's meeting were Noboru Okada, Ichiro Nishida, Hara Yamashita, Ise Goshiwara, Don Kuge, Emily Aoyama, Ron Nakano, James Komatsu, Yasuo Yamashita, Masao Nakano, and Perry Kuramoto and Joe Iwataki.



## 70th Anniversary

This year marks the 70th anniversary of the founding of our temple. The 70th Anniversary Committee, chaired by Mr. Noboru Okada, has been meeting, and plans are underway to commemorate this historical event as follows:

1. Anniversary Service will be conducted on Sunday, July 27, with Bishop Seigen Yamaoka and Bay District Temple ministers participating.
2. Former ministers and widows will be invited: Rev. Eiyu Terao, Rev. Ryo Imamura, Rev. Giko Abiko, Mrs. Yukiko Motoyoshi, and Mrs. Teruko Naito.
3. We also plan to invite the Mayor of Alameda, Publisher of the Times-Star and others.
4. Happy Hour and Banquet will be held at the Blue Dolphin restaurant in San Leandro after the Service on July 27. There will be Prime Rib dinner (\$18.50), and we plan to sell Banquet ticker at \$10 per member.
5. We plan to contact former temple members, former YBA, Jr. MBA and Sunday School students and ask them to participate in the anniversary service and banquet.
6. Although definite plans have not been made, we are thinking about a "reunion" type activity on Saturday, July 26 and a series of special lectures during the month of July to commemorate the 70th anniversary.
7. We will be asking temple members and affiliated organizations to consider making special donations on this occasion.
8. The rough budget for the anniversary is:

Income: Donations	\$6300
Banquet tickets	2700
	\$9000
Expenses: Banquet	5500
Entertainment	150
Program Booklet	200
Gifts	2000
Ministerial Exp.	720
Others	380
	\$9000

9. The Committee consists of the following members:

General Chairperson	Noboru Okada
Advisors	Rev. Zuikai Taniguchi, Hiroshi Hashimoto
Secretary	Joe Iwataki
Finance	Perry Kuramoto, Kaz Sato
Publicity	Rev. Zuikai Taniguchi, Emily Aoyama
Program Booklet	Kiyoshi Naito, Hiss Kataoka
Invitations	Masao Nakano, Yasuo Yamashita, Tomiyo Yoshiwara
Gifts	Kiyoshi Naito
Religious Service	Ron Nakano, Joyce Maniwa
Registration/Reception	Haru Yamashita, Mariye Tsuchiya
Group Picture	Don Kuge
Transportation	James Komatsu
Banquet	Ichiro Nishida, Tom Yamagami
Entertainment	Susumu Tomine

If you have any ideas or suggestions, please let us know.

Kiyoshi Naito